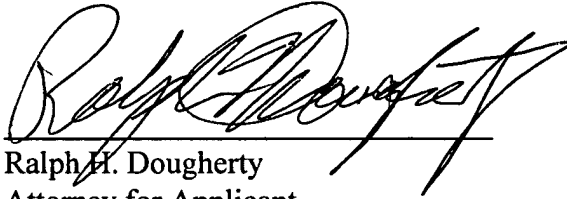


Entry of this Preliminary Amendment is respectfully requested on behalf of Applicants.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

In the Specification

On page 7 make the following change to line 3:

Figure 6 is a graph showing percent metallization ~~and crush strength~~ of briquettes prepared with cellulose binder and various sizes of iron fines.

On page 7 after the second paragraph add:

Figure 7 is a graph showing crush strength of briquettes prepared with cellulose binder and various sizes of iron fines.